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In consideration of
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 45, SENATE DRAFT 1
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, AS
AMENDED, COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT PUAMANA,
LAHAINA, MAUI FOR VARIOUS SEAWALL STRUCTURES. A CONCRETE GROIN,
AND REVETMENT FOOTINGS OF A HISTORIC SWIMMING POOL

Senate Concurrent Resolution 45, Senate Draft 1 proposes to authorize the issuance of a term, non-exclusive easement, as amended, covering a portion of State submerged lands at Puamana, Lahaina, Maui, for various seawall structures, a concrete groin and revetment footings of a historic swimming pool. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this concurrent resolution.**

The current owner of the abutting property, Puamana Community Association (PCA), worked with the Department to resolve the encroachments. The encroachments that were located seaward of the record property boundary were resolved by the execution of a term, non-exclusive easement GL S-6050. The shoreline has moved further mauka, increasing the amount of structures located on state submerged lands. PCA has sought to amend the easement area to account for the additional encroachments.

As required by Section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Board of Land and Natural Resources ("Board") may lease submerged lands "with the prior approval of the Governor and the prior authorization of the Legislature by concurrent resolution". At its meeting on January 12, 2018, under agenda item D-10, the Board approved the amendment of GL S-6050 to include the encroachments seaward of the shoreline. PCA shall pay the State the fair market value of the additional easement area as consideration for the use of public lands. The amount of consideration shall be determined by an independent appraisal.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.